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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	10/528,287
Filing Date	16 March 2005
First Named Inventor	KITAHASHI
Art Unit	3723
Examiner Name	RACHUBA, Maurina T.
Attorney Docket Number	1110-93928

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☒ Other Response to Office Action Dated September 25, 2007

- b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

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Signature		Date	25 March 2008
Name (Print/Type)	Gerald T. Shekleton	Registration No.	27,466

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2008 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>		Docket Number (Optional) 1110-93928																								
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<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):</p> <table border="0" style="width:100%"><thead><tr><th></th><th style="text-align:center"><u>Fee</u></th><th style="text-align:center"><u>Small Entity Fee</u></th><th></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td><td style="text-align:right">\$120</td><td style="text-align:right">\$60</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td><td style="text-align:right">\$460</td><td style="text-align:right">\$230</td><td>\$ <u>460.00</u></td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td><td style="text-align:right">\$1050</td><td style="text-align:right">\$525</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td><td style="text-align:right">\$1640</td><td style="text-align:right">\$820</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td><td style="text-align:right">\$2230</td><td style="text-align:right">\$1115</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr></tbody></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>230920</u>. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>27,466</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____</p> <div style="display:flex; justify-content:space-between; margin-top:20px"><div style="width:45%; text-align:center"><hr style="width:100%;"/><p>Signature Gerald T. Shekleton Typed or printed name</p></div><div style="width:45%; text-align:center"><hr style="width:100%;"/><p>25 March 2008 Date 312-526-1511 Telephone Number</p></div></div> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>2</u> forms are submitted.</p>				<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$460	\$230	\$ <u>460.00</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1050	\$525	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1640	\$820	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2230	\$1115	\$ _____
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